

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled FEED EXTENDER FOR EXPLOSIVE MANUFACTURE, which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s)and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (list name and registration number), and hereby certify that the Government of the United States has the irrevocable right to prosecute this application:

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